

FRIDAY FACTS



Archdiocese of Ottawa, Pastoral Office

February 1, 2019

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Diocesan Theme: *Christ is everything for us. "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith".* (Galatians 6.10b). Please encourage use of our diocesan theme in bulletins and your other material.

Pastoral Day: At the Diocesan Centre on **Wed., Feb. 20, 9:00 a.m.**, beginning with Mass. Clergy only session after lunch. Cost for lunch: \$15. [RSVP for lunch](#) required by Thurs., Feb. 14.

Rite of Election: The parish participation form for the Rite of Election on **Sun., Mar. 10** is available at <https://catholicottawa.ca/rite-of-election-parish-form>. Deadline: Tues., Feb. 26. Info: abrown@ArchOttawa.ca.

College of Consultors: Parishes are to submit proposals to the College of Consultors for any new projects: construction, renovation, restorations, major acquisitions, property sales, major fundraising campaigns, changes to sacred art or to worship spaces. Next meeting: **Tues., Feb. 26**. In order to be included on the agenda, parishes must submit project proposals to the diocese no later than **Tues., Feb. 12**. Further info: [College of Consultors Policy](#); centre@archottawa.ca; (613-738-5025, ext. 244).

Welcome: We are pleased to welcome Andriano De Luca, who is joining English Pastoral Services as Family and Youth Ministry Officer. We wish Andriano every blessing as he undertakes his new responsibilities.

Prayers: For the repose of the soul of Mr. Jean Minani, father of Fr. Apollinaire Ntamabyaliro, pastor at St. Victor, Alfred and St-Thomas, Lefavre. Mr. Minani died January 26, 2019 in Kigali, Rwanda at the age of 84. The Funeral Mass was at Saint Charles Lwanga Church (Kigali-Rwanda) on January 30. A memorial Mass will take place at Saint-Victor Parish, Alfred on **Sat., Feb. 23 at 11 a.m.** Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

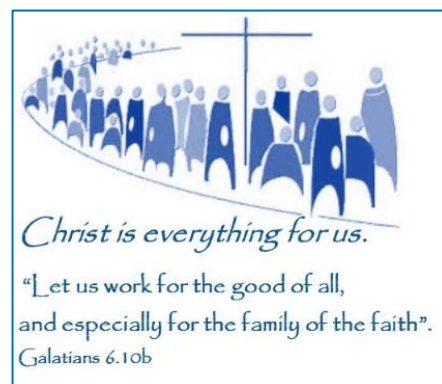
FAMILY, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Family Day with the Archbishop: Waupoos Family Farm, 2050 Rideau Rd., **Mon., Feb. 18, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.** Join Archbishop Terrence Prendergast SJ at the fourth annual Family Day with the Archbishop. The day will include Mass, a hot dog lunch, skating, sledding, a bonfire, and more. All families are welcome. Limited spots available. To register: www.fymottawa.com/family. Donations welcome.

Don Bosco Award Recipients: Congratulations to this year's Don Bosco Award Winners: Ana Raquel Aparicio, Jean Belanger, Landon Coleman, Jessica David, Emily Grace Linton-Leblanc, Brandon Milley, John Nung, Miriam Pereira, Bianca Picciano, Isaac Pruner, Cameron Schieman, and Grace Smyth. It was a joy to celebrate with you on Jan. 19.

FOCCUS Marriage Preparation Facilitator Training: For any individual or couple interested in becoming a marriage preparation FOCCUS facilitator in their parish. Training is **Sat., Mar. 30, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** at St. Basil Parish, 940 Rex Ave. Cost: \$125 per person (lunch and training manual included). Registration closes Feb. 25. To register: <https://catholicottawa.ca/foccus-training>. Info: 613-738-5025.

2019 Journey of Hope – A Program for Separated and Divorced Catholics: The program, led from a Catholic faith exploration perspective, is designed to help participants find reconciliation, peace and healing by taking positive steps in their daily spiritual life. Women's session begins **Tues., Mar. 19**; men's session begins **Thurs., Mar. 21**. Sessions run



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6 weeks, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary parish hall, 20 Grant St. (Parkdale & Wellington). Cost: \$25. Info & registration: www.journeyofhopeottawa.com; Mary Jane Manley (613-294-1308).

Nazareth Family Summer Retreats: Week-long family retreats with daily Mass, children's program and marriage enrichment conference, recreation and prayer. St. Gabriel de Brandon, Quebec (1½ hr north of Montreal), **July 14 - July 20, July 21 - July 27, July 28 - August 3, 2019**. Cost: \$500/family. Info: www.nazarethfamily.com.

CARE FOR CREATION

WORLD YOUTH DAY MANIFESTO: Youth who recently attended World Youth Day in Panama issued a “Manifesto for the Care of the Common Home - Ecological Conversion in Action”, calling on everyone, themselves first, “to urgently act to protect our planet and the poorest and most vulnerable people.” The complete Manifesto may be found at www.indcatholicnews.com/news/36419. Info: 613-738-5025, ext. 251; jdorner@archottawa.ca.

VOCATIONS

Prayers: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 17. That all those called to follow Jesus in the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life will allow the Holy Spirit to strengthen them each day in their vocation.

FROM THE CCCB

2019 World Communications Day: On 24 January, the memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, patron saint of writers and journalists, the Holy See released the Holy Father's Message for the 53rd World Communications Day, "We are members of one another (Eph 4:25): From social network communities to the human community". In Canada, this Day will be celebrated **June 2, 2019**, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. [Link to Message](#).

Life and family suggestions for homilies and prayers of the faithful

during February 2019: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops continues to post homily ideas and prayers of the faithful to link the Sunday liturgy with the national pastoral initiative for life and family. The suggestions can be easily adapted for family prayer or for use with groups. [Life and Family](#).

The Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue (ARC) Releases New Stories to Tell: Living Ecumenism Today: This resource is testimonial in nature, offering examples from across Canada where Anglican and Catholics have come together in cooperation and dialogue. The resource is suited for parish settings, and for joint study and reflection groups. Resources: churchesindialogue.ca. [New Stories to Tell: Living Ecumenism Today](#).

PRO-LIFE

Campaign Life Coalition Information Meeting: Meet and socialize with your fellow pro-life supporters. Announcing the keynote speakers for the March for Life, Jeff Gunnarson the new CLC president and Alex Schadenberg Euthanasia will be there. St. Patrick's Basilica Scavi, **Tues., Feb. 5, 6:30-8:00 pm**. Info: debbie@clife.ca; 613-729-0379.

Monthly Pro-life Mass: To pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Center in Ottawa. Resurrection of Our Lord Parish, 1940 Saunderson Dr., **Sat., Feb. 23, 10:00 am**. Sponsored by Pro-life Doctors. Info: 613-831-2515; wandaawoj@rogers.com.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Night of Worship and Ministry at St. Mary Parish: Theme: *Light the Fire Again*. Speaker: Fr. Rob Arsenault CC. Every 4th Friday of the month for an evening of praise, teaching, healing and fellowship. St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St., **Feb. 22, 7-9 pm**. Info: (613-728-9811 x720); (night.worship.ministry@stmarysottawa.ca).

Coming Events – Dates to Note

- **Wed., Feb. 20** Pastoral Day
- **Wed., Mar. 6** Ash Wednesday
- **Sun., Mar. 10** Rite of Election
- **Tues., Apr. 16** Chrism Mass
- **May 5** Wedding Anniversary Mass
- **Sun., May 12** Neophytes Mass
- **Thurs., May 16** Pastoral Day
- **Sat., June 1** Gathering with Archbishop of Deacons & Wives
- **June 6** Diocesan Celebration
- **June 9** Pentecost Confirmations
- **Thurs., June 13** Gathering of Priests

FAITH FORMATION

Where Do I Fit? Discernment & Gifts of the Holy Spirit: To learn more about the various gifts of the Spirit, how to discern the gifts God has given you, and how to develop these gifts. St. John the Apostle, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Sat., Feb. 23, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** Cost: \$20. Sponsored by Sister+Hood & Divya Kiran International; presented by Heather MacPhail. Registration: Karen (613-806-0377); livesisterhood@gmail.com; www.sisterhood.live/workshops/.

Men's Retreat: Auxiliary Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC will lead retreat on *Into the Breach*. St. Augustine Parish, 1060 Baseline Rd., **Mar. 9, 8:00 am - 3:00pm** (registration 7:15am; Mass 8am). Pre-registration (required) at www.retreat4men.org. Cost: \$20/person; \$15 students. Includes lunch by Queenship of Mary Community. Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 14727. Info: denis.belanger@kofc.org; 819-962-1883.

Unbound Five Keys Conference: The Father's Blessing. Speakers: Miriam Wright and Fr. Rob Arsenault CC. **Sat., Mar. 30, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm** at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata. Mass at 8:00 a.m. celebrated by Bishop Christian Riesbeck CC. Info & registration: unboundottawaregister@gmail.com by Mar. 20. Cost: \$25 payable on the day of the conference. Lunch not provided.

OTHER CATHOLIC EVENTS

The New Evangelization Summit: Featuring Catholic speakers: Michael Dopp, Fr. James Mallon, Cardinal Gerald Lacroix, and Michelle Moran. Webcast to host sites across Canada and the US. Register for free online to be inspired, formed, & connected with like-minded Catholics. Infinity Convention Centre, Ottawa, **May 4, 2019**. Info: www.newevangelization.ca.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS

Annual Spaghetti Dinner: St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Sat., Feb. 9, 6:00 pm**. Tickets: \$14 adults; \$6 children 12 and under; \$35 family (parents & children). Hosted by The St. John the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council 10470. Info: 613-829-1760.

SCHOOLS

Maryvale Academy of Ottawa Fundraising Dinner Gala: 'No Greater Love' on **Sat., Feb. 9** at Tudor Hall, 3750 N Bowesville Rd. Auctions, 50/50 draw, musical performances. Cocktails & silent auction 5:30 pm, dinner 6:30 pm. Cost: \$95/person (\$45 receipt). Info & tickets: Maryvale Academy 613-321-2186; (www.maryvaleacademy.ca); (www.facebook.com/MaryvaleAcademyOttawa). Poster available [here](#).

EMPLOYMENT & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sacramental Preparation Co-ordinator: For St. Andrew and St. Monica Parishes, Barrhaven. Part-time Co-ordinator for family-based First Communion and Confirmation programs serving the families of 9 English-Catholic elementary schools. Pay based on 24 hrs/week; some evenings, weekends. Requires good inter-personal and organizing skills, office computer competence, the ability to visit schools and familiarity with both parish life and the goals of sacramental preparation. Work is primarily with adults; 2 references required. Police Record Check for the Vulnerable Sector will be required. Send résumé to stmonica2080@gmail.com by **Feb. 15**. We thank all who respond for their interest, but only those chosen for an interview will be contacted.

WIDER COMMUNITY INTEREST

Ottawa Pastoral Care Training Program: An inter-denominational program affiliated with the Christian Council of the Capital Area. Basic course, **Mondays, Mar. 11 – May 13, 1-3:30pm or 7-9:30pm**. At St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 971 Woodroffe Ave. Cost: \$110 before Mar. 4. Questions: Terri Skuce (613-591-3366), tskuce@rogers.com or Grant Paynter (613-227-9055), grant.paynter199@gmail.com. Info & Continuing Ed Events: www.ottawapastoralcare.com.

12 Day Comprehensive Newfoundland and Labrador Tour – Sept. 2019: Info: Fr. Bill Penney (613-822-2197) at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish. Immersion in the culture and daily life at an easy pace.